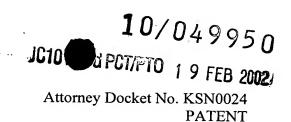
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| 3. | | This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include itens (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. | | | | | | | | | | | |
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- (3) Drawings (6 Sheets);
- (4) Translation of the Annexes to IPER (6 pages);
- (5) Copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report;
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